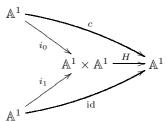
ENRICHED SIMPLICIAL PRESHEAVES AND THE MOTIVIC HOMOTOPY CATEGORY

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ABSTRACT. We construct models for the motivic homotopy category based on simplicial functors from smooth schemes over a field to simplicial sets. These spaces are homotopy invariant and therefore one does not have to invert the affine line in order to get a model for the motivic homotopy category.

Introduction

In this note, we study certain simplicial functors as an alternative for simplicial presheaves in the construction of the motivic homotopy category. An enriched simplicial presheaf is a simplicial functor from a category of schemes enriched over simplicial sets to the category of simplicial sets enriched over itself. Considering enriched simplicial presheaves instead of simplicial presheaves seems to be quite natural in the spirit of motivic homotopy theory. For example there is a naive homotopy contracting the affine line in the category of schemes. More precisely, for any constant map c there exists a morphism H of smooth schemes over a field, such that the diagram



commutes. The simplicial presheaf represented by \mathbb{A}^1 resists to be weakly equivalent to the point until it is finally forced to be weakly contractible by Bousfield localization. In contrast to this the enriched simplicial presheaf represented by \mathbb{A}^1 is objectwise contractible (cf. Corollary 1.6). Hence the motivic models based on these spaces can be obtained without the \mathbb{A}^1 -contracting Bousfield localization.

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Conventions. Throughout this text let k be a field and Sm/k the category of smooth and separated schemes of finite type over k. The category of simplicial (Set-valued) presheaves on Sm/k is denoted by sPre.

1. The category of enriched simplicial presheaves

In this section we introduce the category SPre of enriched simplicial presheaves as an alternative for the category sPre of simplicial presheaves. The construction of SPre is based on categories enriched over simplicial sets. In a simplicial category C there are hom-simplicial sets sSet $_C(A,B)$ instead of just hom-sets associated with any two objects, in a way compatible with an associative and unital composition. The 0-simplices of sSet $_C(A,B)$ can be thought of as morphisms $A \to B$. The

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relation of being connected by a zig-zag of 1-simplices models a notation of *naive homotopy* depending on the enrichment. In the following we consider the category $s\mathcal{S}$ et of simplicial sets as a simplicial category by

$$sSet_{sSet}(A, B)_n = hom_{sSet}(A \times \Delta^n, B).$$

The naive homotopy relation turns out to be pretty sensible in the sense that it coincides with a notation of left homotopy in the usual model structure on simplicial sets. This enrichment is natural in many aspects, for example it is given by the Yoneda embedding and the following straightforward lemma.

Lemma 1.1. Let C be a category with finite products. Any cosimplicial object $c: \Delta \to C$ with c_0 the terminal object of C gives rise to a simplicial category, which we also denote by C, with underlying category C and

$$sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)_n = hom_{\mathcal{C}}(A \times c_n, B).$$

Proof. A map $\sigma: [m] \to [n]$ in Δ induces a map $s\mathcal{S}et_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)_n \to s\mathcal{S}et_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)_m$ by assigning the composite

$$A \times c([m]) \xrightarrow{(\operatorname{pr}_1, c(\sigma) \circ \operatorname{pr}_2)} A \times c([n]) \xrightarrow{f} B$$

to $f \in sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)_n$. Clearly $sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)(\mathrm{id}_{[n]}) = \mathrm{id}_{sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)_n}$ and one observes that for composable morphisms σ and τ in Δ the identity

$$sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)(\tau \circ \sigma)(f) = f \circ (\operatorname{pr}_{1}, (c(\tau \circ \sigma) \circ \operatorname{pr}_{2}))$$
$$= sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)(\sigma) \circ sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)(\tau)(f)$$

holds and hence $sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A, B)$ is in fact a simplicial set. The composition maps

$$c_{ABC}: sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(B,C) \times sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A,B) \to sSet_{\mathcal{C}}(A,B), \quad (g,f) \mapsto g \circ (f, pr_2)$$

are maps of simplicial sets and satisfy the relevant coherence diagrams [Bor94b, 6.9,6.10]. The underlying category $U\mathcal{C}$ has by definition the same objects as \mathcal{C} and the hom-sets are given by

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\operatorname{hom}_{U\mathcal{C}}(A,B) & := & \operatorname{hom}_{s\mathcal{S}\mathrm{et}}(\Delta[0], s\mathcal{S}\mathrm{et}_{\mathcal{C}}(A,B)) \\
& \cong & s\mathcal{S}\mathrm{et}_{\mathcal{C}}(A,B)_{0} \\
& \cong & \operatorname{hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(A,B).
\end{array}$$

The composition in UC is the same as composition in simplicial dimensiion 0 of the enriched category and therefore $UC \cong C$.

By applying this lemma to the algebraic cosimplicial object $\Delta^{(-)}$ given by

$$\Delta^p = \operatorname{Spec} k[X_0, \dots, X_p]/(1 - \sum X_i)$$

one obtains Sm/k as a simplicial category.

Definition 1.2. The category SPre of *enriched simplicial presheaves* is the category of simplicial functors from Sm/k^{op} to sSet, i.e. functors X assigning a simplicial set XU to any smooth k-scheme U and a morphism

$$sSet_{Sm/k}(U,V) \rightarrow sSet_{sSet}(XV,XU)$$

of simplicial sets to any pair of objects U, V compatible with composition.

Remark 1.3. The notation of naive homotopy in the simplicial category Sm/k is not completly convenient, but includes some reasonable aspects as for example

$$sSet_{Sm/k}(S_t^1, S_t^1)_*/_{\sim_{naive}}$$

equals the integers. A discussion of this naive homotopy relation in Sm/k can be found in section 2 of [Mor04].

Lemma 1.4 (Adjunction Lemma). Let \mathcal{D} be an essentially small category, \mathcal{C} a cocomplete category and $c: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$ a functor. There exists a commutative diagram

$$\mathcal{D} \xrightarrow[c]{Yoneda} \operatorname{Pre}(\mathcal{D})$$

and an adjunction $|-|: \operatorname{Pre}(\mathcal{D}) \rightleftarrows \mathcal{C} : \operatorname{Sing} with \operatorname{Sing}(X) = \operatorname{hom}(c(-), X)$.

Proof. This is a standard fact about left Kan extensions [Bor94a].

The Adjunction Lemma 1.4 applied to the functor

$$c: \mathcal{S}_{m}/k \times \Delta \to \mathcal{S}_{p}$$
Pre, $(U, [n]) \mapsto s\mathcal{S}_{m}/k(-, U) \times \Delta^{n}$

provides an adjunction

(1.1)
$$L: \operatorname{sPre} \rightleftarrows \mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre} : R.$$

The composite functor RL is well known and was already studied in [MV99] as a functor called Sing, defined by

$$\operatorname{Sing}(X)(U)_m = \operatorname{hom}_{\operatorname{Pre}}(U \times \Delta^m, X_m).$$

Lemma 1.5. The functors RL and Sing coincide.

Proof. Since the functors R, L and Sing preserve colimits we only need to check their behavior on representable objects.

$$\begin{array}{lll} RL(U\times\Delta^n)(V,[m]) & = & \hom_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre}}(\operatorname{sSet}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{m}/k}(-,V)\times\Delta^m,\operatorname{sSet}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{m}/k}(-,U)\times\Delta^n) \\ & \cong & \operatorname{sSet}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre}}(\operatorname{sSet}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{m}/k}(-,V),\operatorname{sSet}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{m}/k}(-,U)\times\Delta^n)_m \\ & \cong & \hom_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{m}/k}(V\times\Delta^m,U)\times\Delta^n_m \\ & \cong & U(V\times\Delta^m)_m\times\Delta^n_m \\ & \cong & \hom_{\operatorname{Pre}}(V\times\Delta^m,U_m)\times\Delta^n_m \\ & \cong & \operatorname{Sing}(U\times\Delta^n)(V)_m \end{array}$$

Corollary 1.6. The enriched simplicial presheaf represented by the affine line is objectwise contractible.

Proof. As a corollary of Lemma 1.5 we obtain

$$\mathbb{A}^{1}(U) = s\mathcal{S}et_{\mathcal{S}m/k}(U, \mathbb{A}^{1}) = L\mathbb{A}^{1}(U)$$
$$= RL\mathbb{A}^{1}(U) = Sing(\mathbb{A}^{1})(U)$$

which is contractible by [MV99, Corollary 3.5].

Lemma 1.7. The category of enriched simplicial presheaves is bicomplete and colimits and limits can be computed objectwise.

Proof. The category \mathcal{S} Pre is the underlying category of a s \mathcal{S} et-category in which all weighted sSet-colimits and limits exist [Bor94b, Proposition 6.6.17], so SPre is bicomplete by [Bor94b, Proposition 6.6.16].

We use the conventional terminology and say that a set I of morphisms in a category permits the small object argument, if the domains of the elements of I are small relative to transfinite compositions of pushouts of elements in I.

Lemma 1.8. Let I be a set of morphisms in sPre. Then the set LI of morphisms in SPre permits the small object argument.

Proof. We make use of the fact that all objects in the locally presentable category sPre are small. So there exists a cardinal κ , such that for all κ -filtered ordinals λ and any λ -sequence $S: \lambda \to \mathcal{S}$ Pre the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \operatorname{hom}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre}}(LX, F_{\beta}) & \xrightarrow{\Phi} \operatorname{hom}_{\mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre}}(LX, \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} F_{\beta}) \\ & \cong & & & \cong \\ \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} \operatorname{hom}_{\operatorname{s}\operatorname{Pre}}(X, RF_{\beta}) & \xrightarrow{\cong} \operatorname{hom}_{\operatorname{s}\operatorname{Pre}}(X, \operatorname{colim}_{\beta < \lambda} RF_{\beta}) \end{array}$$

Hence LX is small and LI permits the small object argument.

2. Model structures for enriched simplicial presheaves

In this section we construct model structures on the category \mathcal{S} Pre of enriched simplicial presheaves. These model structures correspond to model structures on the category sPre of simplicial presheaves. Subsequently, Corollary 2.10 gives a characterization of the fibrant objects.

Definition 2.1. Let \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} be a model categories and $L: \mathcal{C} \rightleftharpoons \mathcal{D}: R$ an adjunction. The model structure on \mathcal{D} is called R-lifted if a morphism f of \mathcal{D} is a weak equivalence (resp. a fibration) if and only if R(f) is a weak equivalence (resp. a fibration) of \mathcal{C} . A cofibrantly generated model category \mathcal{C} is called (I, J)-cofibrantly generated if I is a set of generating cofibrations and J is a set of generating acyclic cofibrations for the model structure on \mathcal{C} .

Remark 2.2. If \mathcal{C} is a model category, $L: \mathcal{C} \rightleftharpoons \mathcal{D}: R$ an adjunction and \mathcal{D} is equipped with the R-lifted model structure, then the adjunction (L, R) is necessarily a Quillen adjunction since the right adjoint R preserves fibrations and acyclic fibrations. The lifted model structure on \mathcal{D} is right proper if and only if \mathcal{C} is a right proper model category.

Lemma 2.3 (Lifting Lemma). Let C be a (I, J)-cofibrantly generated model category, \mathcal{D} a bicomplete category and $L: \mathcal{C} \rightleftharpoons \mathcal{D}: R$ an adjunction such that the right adjoint R commutes with colimits and LI and LJ permit the small object argument. Then there exists a unique (LI, LJ)-cofibrantly generated R-lifted model structure on \mathcal{D} if and only if for every $j \in J$ and every pushout diagram

$$L(A) \longrightarrow X$$

$$\downarrow p$$

$$L(B) \longrightarrow Y$$

the morphism R(p) is a weak equivalence of C.

Proof. This is a standard lifting argument [Hir03, Theorem 11.3.2]. \Box

Theorem 2.4. Consider the adjunction

$$L: \operatorname{sPre} \ \rightleftarrows \ \mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre}: R$$

constructed in (1.1). Let sPre be equipped with a cofibrantly generated model structure with \mathbb{A}^1 -local weak equivalences as weak equivalences and with the property that every cofibration is in particular a monomorphism. Then the R-lifted model structure on SPre exists and the adjunction (L, R) is a Quillen equivalence.

Proof. Let I be a set of generating cofibrations and J be a set of generating acyclic cofibrations for the model structure on sPre, j an element of J and

$$L(A) \longrightarrow X$$

$$\downarrow^{L(j)} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{p}$$

$$L(B) \longrightarrow Y$$

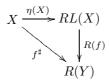
be a pushout diagram in SPre. Since R commutes with colimits, the diagram

$$RL(A) \longrightarrow R(X)$$

$$RL(j) \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow R(p)$$

$$RL(B) \longrightarrow R(Y)$$

is also a pushout. The morphism j is an acyclic cofibration of sPre and therefore in particular an acyclic cofibration in the \mathbb{A}^1 -local injective model structure on sPre, that is a \mathbb{A}^1 -local weak equivalence and a monomorphism. Lemma 1.5 identifies the functor RL with the singular functor Sing. The singular functor respects monomorphisms and \mathbb{A}^1 -local weak equivalences by [MV99, Corollary 3.8]. Therefore RL(j)is an acyclic cofibration in the \mathbb{A}^1 -injective model structure on sPre. The class of acyclic cofibrations of a model category is closed under pushouts and hence R(p) is a \mathbb{A}^1 -local weak equivalence. The category SPre is bicomplete by Lemma 1.7 and Lemma 1.8 provides that LI and LJ permit the small object argument. Hence the category \mathcal{S} Pre can be equipped with the R-lifted model structure by Lemma 2.3. To prove that (L,R) is a Quillen equivalence, let η be the unit of the adjunction (L,R) and let X be a simplicial presheaf. Lemma 1.5 identifies $\eta(X)$ with the canonical morphism $X \to \operatorname{Sing}(X)$ which is a \mathbb{A}^1 -local weak equivalence by [MV99, Corollary 3.8]. The diagram



shows that a morphism $f: LX \to Y$ is a weak equivalence if and only if its adjoint f^{\sharp} is a weak equivalence. Therefore (L,R) is a Quillen equivalence.

Remark 2.5. The assumptions on the model structure on sPre of Theorem 2.4 are fulfilled by all intermediate model structures, e.g. the projective, flasque and injective model structures.

Lemma 2.6. Consider the adjunction $L: \operatorname{sPre} \ \rightleftarrows \ \mathcal{S}\operatorname{Pre} : R \ and \ \operatorname{let} \ (\operatorname{sPre}, \times)$ be equipped with a monoidal model structure. If the category (SPre, \times) is endowed with the R-lifted model structure, then it is a monoidal model category.

Proof. General results on enriched category theory imply that \mathcal{S} Pre is cartesian closed [Day70]. Let $i:A\to B$ and $j:C\to D$ be cofibrations. One has to show that the pushout product

$$i \Box j : (B \times C) \coprod_{(A \times C)} (A \times D) \to B \times D$$

is a cofibration and an acyclic cofibration if i or j is a weak equivalence. This follows from the property of L being a left Quillen functor and from the relation $L(i \square j) \cong L(i) \square L(j)$ holding as the functor L is strong monoidal, which is the case since

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\begin{array}{lll} L(X\times Y) &=& L(\operatorname{colim}(\operatorname{hom}(-,U)\times\Delta^n)\times\operatorname{colim}(\operatorname{hom}(-,V)\times\Delta^m))\\ &=& L(\operatorname{colim}(\operatorname{hom}(-,U\times V)\times\Delta^n\times\Delta^m))\\ &=& \operatorname{colim}(\operatorname{s}\mathcal{S}\mathrm{et}(-,U\times V)\times\Delta^n\times\Delta^m)\\ &=& \operatorname{colim}(\operatorname{s}\mathcal{S}\mathrm{et}(-,U)\times\Delta^n)\times\operatorname{colim}(\operatorname{s}\mathcal{S}\mathrm{et}(-,V)\times\Delta^m)\\ &=& L(X)\times L(Y). \end{array}
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Lemma 2.7. Consider the adjunction L: sPre \rightleftharpoons SPre: R and let sPre be equipped with a simplicial model structure. If the category of enriched simplicial presheaves is endowed with the R-lifted model structure, then it is a simplicial model category.

Proof. The category SPre is naturally enriched over the category of simplicial sets by $sSet(X,Y) = hom_{SPre}(X \times \Delta^{(-)}, Y)$. It is tensored with $X \otimes A = X(-) \times A$ and cotensored with $X^A = hom_{sSet}(A \times \Delta^{(-)}, X(-))$. By Lemma 2.6 a statement equivalent to the (SM7) axiom holds [GJ99, II.3.11].

Lemma 2.8. Every enriched simplicial presheaf X is homotopy invariant, that is the map

$$X(U) \to X(U \times \mathbb{A}^1)$$

induced by the projection is a weak equivalence of sSet for all objects U of Sm/k.

Proof. An enriched simplicial presheaf X maps a morphism $f: U \to V$ of Sm/k to a 0-simplex of the simplicial set sSet(XV, XU) and it maps a naive homotopy $H: U \times \Delta^1 \to V$ of Sm/k to a 1-simplex of sSet(XV, XU), which is a homotopy equivalence of the simplicial sets XV and XU with respect to the cylinder object Δ^1 . Therefore X takes naive homotopy equivalences in Sm/k to weak equivalences in sSet. The assertion is obtained from the fact that the affine line A^1 is naive homotopy equivalent to the point Spec(k) in Sm/k where a homotopy equivalence is given by the map $k[X] \to k[X,Y], X \mapsto XY$ of k-algebras. \square

Corollary 2.9. Let SPre be equipped with a simplicial model structure in which every object of Sm/k is cofibrant. Then the class

$$C = \{ U \times \mathbb{A}^1 \xrightarrow{pr} U \mid U \in \mathcal{S}\mathbf{m}/k \}$$

consists of weak equivalences.

Proof. Lemma 2.8 provides that $sSet(U, X) \to sSet(U \times \mathbb{A}^1, X)$ is a weak equivalence of simplicial sets for every enriched simplicial presheaf X by an enriched version of the Yoneda Lemma. Weak equivalences in a simplicial model category are detected by the property of the above morphism being a weak equivalence of simplicial sets for all fibrant objects X [Hir03, Corollary 9.7.5].

Corollary 2.10. Consider the adjunction $L: sPre \rightleftharpoons SPre: R$ and the class

$$C = \{U \times \mathbb{A}^1 \xrightarrow{pr} U \mid U \in \mathcal{S}\mathbf{m}/k\}$$

of morphisms of simplicial presheaves. Let sPre be equipped with a Bousfield localized model structure $L_C(\text{sPre})$ in which every object of Sm/k is cofibrant. Suppose that the R-lifted model structure on SPre exists. Then an object X of SPre is fibrant if and only if the object R(X) is fibrant in sPre before localizing.

Lemma 2.11. Consider the adjunction $L: sPre \rightleftharpoons SPre: R$ and let sPre be equipped with a left proper cofibrantly generated model structure with \mathbb{A}^1 -local weak equivalences as weak equivalences and with the property that every cofibration is in particular a monomorphism. If the category of enriched simplicial presheaves is endowed with the R-lifted model structure, then it is a left proper model category.

Proof. It is sufficient to show that the R-lifted \mathbb{A}^1 -local injective model structure is left proper. The injective model structure on \mathcal{S} Pre is left proper and it is the R-lifted model of the injective structure on sPre [Lur09, Proposition B.1]. Let B be a class of cofibrations in sPre, such that the localization at B is the local injective model structure. Then (L,R) is a Quillen adjunction between the local injective model on sPre and the localization M of the injective model structure on \mathcal{S} Pre at L(B) [Hir03, Theorem 3.3.20]. We show that M coincides with the R-lifted \mathbb{A}^1 -local injective model structure on \mathcal{S} Pre. Let the injective model structure on sPre be (I, J)-cofibrantly generated, then the injective model structure on \mathcal{S} Pre is (LI, LJ)-cofibrantly generated and so is its left Bousfield localization M. By the same arguments, the R-lifted \mathbb{A}^1 -local injective model structure on \mathcal{S} Pre is also (LI, LJ)-cofibrantly generated. Hence both model structures have the same cofibrations. Moreover, their fibrant objects coincide by Corollary 2.10 and the fact that an object X is fibrant in the Bousfield localization M if and only if sSet(-, X)maps B to weak equivalences. Therefore the model structures are the same since a model structure is determined by its cofibrations and its fibrant objects.

Remark 2.12. The previous statements might suggest that it is possible to get a model for the motivic homotopy category by lifting a local model structure to the category of enriched simplicial presheaves. In view of Lemma 2.3 one observes that a (I, J)-cofibrantly generated model structure lifts via (L, R) to the category of enriched simplicial presheaves if Sing(i) is a local weak equivalence for every generating acyclic cofibration j in J, but the singular functor does not preserve local weak equivalences in general.

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